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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS; ALLEGED PRC HEROIN IN GVN BURNING
CEREMONY

1. UPI AND CHICAGO TRIBUNE STORIES REPORTING GVN PUBLIC
BURNING OF HEROIN INCLUDED REFERENCE TO UNSPECIFIED
QUOTE OFFICIALS UNQUOTE IDENTIFYING HEROIN BAGS BEARING
TWO LIONS AND A GLOBE EMBLEM AS ORIGINATING IN CHINA.
ONE STORY EVEN ALLEGED THAT BAGS HAD QUOTE PRC UNQUOTE
WRITTEN ON THEM.

2. BULK OF CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDENCE ON EAST ASIA
NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING CENTERS ON CHARGES OF PRC INVOLVE-
MENT, AND STANDARD USG RESPONSE CORRECTLY NOTES THAT THERE
IS NO EVIDENCE TOSUBSTANTIATE SUCH CHARGES, IN FACT,
CAREFUL MONITORING BY USG INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES OF INTER-
NATIONAL TRAFFICKING PATTERNS HAS UNCOVERED NO PRC INVOLVE-
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COTICS. USE OF GVN BURNING CEREMONY TO DISSEMINATE ANTI-

PRC PROPAGANDA IS UNFORTUNATE SINCE BNDD PRESENCE AND CLOSE GVN/US COOPERATION IN ANTI-NARCOTICS EFFORT IN GENERAL GIVES UNDESIRABLE CREDENCE TO SUCH REPORTS.

3. INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM BNDD CHEMIST WHO ATTENDED BURNING CEREMONY INDICATED ALLEGATIONS ABOUT PRC DID NOT ARISE TO HIS KNOWLEDGE; EMBLEM ON BAG OF TWO LIONS AND A GLOBE WAS, AS HE NOTED, OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE ORIGIN.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION EMBASSY COULD UNCOVER ON SOURCE OF STORY OF ALLEGED PRC ORIGIN OF BURNED HEROIN. IF GVN THE SOURCE WOULD HOPE THAT IT COULD BE DISSUADED FROM FURTHER OFFICIAL SANCTION OF SUCH THEMES OR AT LEAST MADE AWARE THAT USG WILL NOT CORROBORATE IT. IF ROC MISSION SAIGON THE SOURCE, WOULD HOPE THAT BOTH GVN AND US EMBASSY OFFICIALS COULD MAKE IT CLEAR TO THEM THAT SUCH STORIES UNWELCOME.

5. INFO POSTS MAY ALSO WISH COMMENT.

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